

COP SLAYER DIES BEFORE A FIRING SQUAD IN UTAH

POINT OF THE MOUNTAIN, UTAH, July 1 — (AP) — A volunteer firing squad killed Don Jesse Neal at dawn today in retribution for the murder of a Salt Lake City policeman.

The state turned Neal's body over to a gray-haired widow who was no relation but said she befriended him as "one of God's fellow creatures" and finally came to love him as a mother.

A black hood covered Neal's head as he sat strapped in the bullet-riddled execution chair at Utah state prison. Only the twitching of his arms betrayed his nervousness.

The dark-haired, 35-year-old San Francisco man lurches against his bonds as four bullets—a fifth rifle was loaded with a blank—crashed into the black, heart-shaped target on his chest at 5 a.m. MST, two minutes later he was pronounced dead.

Mrs. Irene C. O'Brien, 35, of Fort Thomas, Ky., claimed the body. She said she would have Neal buried in Fort Thomas under the name O'Brien.

Neal swore he was innocent of the shooting of Police Sgt. Owen T. Farley on May 23, 1931. He claimed a woman companion, Mrs. Wilma Tully, who testified against him and then disappeared, was the real killer. Farley had arrested the two for investigation of an Ogden, Utah, motel robbery, and was taking them to the police station when he was shot.

Neal tried every way to escape death, and four times execution gates went by when he won stays in court.

In desperation, he appeared late yesterday before the judge who sentenced him to ask for a fifth stay. Dist. Judge A. H. Ellis denied it.

Last night, as Mrs. O'Brien sat with him, Neal made phone calls to members of the Utah Supreme Court and to former Utah Gov. Herbert B. Maas, what was said in the calls was disclosed.

Just before dawn, two Catholic priests talked with Neal, then walked with him to the death chair in the prison compound.

900 Stay Off Jobs at Singer's In Dispute Over Layoff of 17

The Singer Manufacturing company plant was on a limited-production basis yesterday as 900 of the 1,200 production and maintenance workers stayed off their jobs in sympathy with 17 workers given a two-day disciplinary layoff by the company.

Both company and union officials said the walkout was a violation of the work contract.

Anthony Mannino, president of Local 227, IUE-CIO said: "Local 227 does not condone the action."

The "sympathy" work stoppage is the aftermath of a dispute arising Wednesday in the milling department of the plant.

According to Mr. Mannino 17 employees in that department complained of a change in methods on a particular work job including revaluation of the job standard. In addition they vehemently insisted that company officials were "politic" the job.

Urged to Return
But the union president said neither the union nor its grievance committee was able to substantiate the latter charge. "In the presence of the department manager," Mr. Mannino said, "these employees were urged to go back to work and to take their problem to the grievance committee in accordance with regular procedure."

However, Mr. Mannino said, the employees were adamant and refusing to heed the union's advice, left their jobs Wednesday morning.

Thereafter the company notified the 17 workers by return mail to report for work again until Tuesday—that they were being disciplined for their walkout with a two-day layoff.

Yesterday, Mr. Mannino said, a number of union members requested a meeting to learn "what's going on." More than 50 members were present for the session which was conducted in the Sokol hall on Hallett street.

The union president reviewed the situation for the membership and advised them that the union had spent the morning in conference with company officials. He said the union officials admitted the millers' walkout was "unauthorized" and a violation of the contract but requested the company to permit the 17 workers to return to work Friday. This request was denied, he said.

But the membership declined to follow the advice of the union's officers and by an overruling vote decided to stay off the job. Mr. Mannino said he advised the membership of their contractual obligation to the company but that his advice went unheeded. The meeting lasted from 12:30 to 3:30 p. m.

No Picketing
Yesterday several hundred employees gathered between 7 and 8 a.m. outside the plant and on all the corners adjoining the plant. Non-union and white-collar and supervisory employees were permitted to enter the plant without incident. There was no picketing and no demonstration of any kind.

Mr. Mannino said yesterday he expects all union members will be at their jobs Tuesday. Lawrence K. Hough, works manager for Singer's, corroborated Mr. Mannino's version of the origin of the work stoppage.

A total of 2,600 persons are employed by the Singer company here. Of these 1,200 are engaged in production work and 500 of these are union members.

Assistant State's Attorney Otto J. Saur, who prosecuted Hadden, told Judge House that the defendant, a truck driver and union man, has been arrested 15 times during the past 15 years.

About a year ago Hadden complained that his job was broken by Danbury policemen while he was confined in a cell at Danbury police headquarters. State's Attorney Loren W. Willis investigated, and declared the charge was groundless.

Mr. Saur claimed Hadden had threatened him with a knife after he had ordered him out of his home and had applied to telephone for the police. At the time of the trouble in the Singer home Hadden was accompanied by Mrs. Mary Eddinger, of Danbury, whom he later married. Mrs. Hadden testified in her husband's behalf during the trial.

Bob Wagner's latest pay boost puts him in the 75 per cent income tax bracket.

TODAY'S RADIO PROGRAM

DIAL SETTINGS	WSTC-1430	WVZ-1250	WINS-1010	WQXR-1550	WNLC-1250	WNCA-1070	WNEW-1120
WCSB-630	WVZ-1430	WVZ-1250	WINS-1010	WQXR-1550	WNLC-1250	WNCA-1070	WNEW-1120
WABC-770	WVZ-1250	WVZ-1250	WINS-1010	WQXR-1550	WNLC-1250	WNCA-1070	WNEW-1120
WICC-600	WVZ-1250	WVZ-1250	WINS-1010	WQXR-1550	WNLC-1250	WNCA-1070	WNEW-1120
WMGM-1050	WVZ-1250	WVZ-1250	WINS-1010	WQXR-1550	WNLC-1250	WNCA-1070	WNEW-1120
WNVC-630	WVZ-1250	WVZ-1250	WINS-1010	WQXR-1550	WNLC-1250	WNCA-1070	WNEW-1120
WNAB-1450	WVZ-1250	WVZ-1250	WINS-1010	WQXR-1550	WNLC-1250	WNCA-1070	WNEW-1120
WRCA-650	WVZ-1250	WVZ-1250	WINS-1010	WQXR-1550	WNLC-1250	WNCA-1070	WNEW-1120
WOR-710	WVZ-1250	WVZ-1250	WINS-1010	WQXR-1550	WNLC-1250	WNCA-1070	WNEW-1120

DEMOCRATS TAKE STRATFORD POSTS

The new Democratic Town court officials took office yesterday in Stratford.

In a brief ceremony in the Municipal building, Hugh A. Hoyt, former Judge of the Town court, administered the oath of office to the new court officials recently named by Gov. Ribicoff for a two-year interim term.

More than 150 town officials, relatives and friends were in the courtroom when the oath was administered to Judge Raymond B. Rubens, Deputy Judge Joseph W. Knott, Prosecutor Isaac Murov, Deputy Prosecutor James L. Griffin, Court Clerk Mrs. Celeste McGrath and Probation Officer Edmund A. Dorne.

Two members of the court, Judge Knott and Mr. Dorne are members of the Stratford Town Council and have announced they will continue to serve on that body.

Judge Edward Rubens, the Municipal court judge of West Memphis, Ark., arrived by plane earlier in the day to be present when his brother was sworn in.

Council Chairman D. James Morey and Councilmen George F. Wright and Ellsworth Speer and Town Manager Joseph B. Flood extended congratulations to the new court at the close of the ceremony.

Pays With a Smile As Toll Goes Up



George L. Castro, of Riverside, R.I., returning from a visit to Staten Island, smiles as he becomes the first driver to pay the new 20 cent toll at the Wybur Cross parkway toll station in Middletown. The Merritt parkway toll at Greenwich also went up to 20 cents yesterday and the Cross parkway toll at Wallingford rose from 10 to 15 cents. In addition, the state gasoline tax increased yesterday from four to six cents a gallon.

U. S. CHESS PLAYER DEFEATS RED CHAMP

MOSCOW, July 1—(AP) Samuel Reshevsky, America's No. 1 player from New York, turned in one of the greatest upsets in chess history today when he defeated Mikhail Botvinnik, Russia's world champion.

The game was a continuation of their first round contest which was adjourned Wednesday. Yesterday the American drew with Botvinnik. They will meet two more times in the U. S.-Soviet series.

The other Americans, however, did not do so well.

Vassily Smyslov defeated U. S. champion Arthur Bisguier of New York, David Bronstein won over Larry Evans of New York at the 44th move, and Tigran Petrosyan defeated Israel Horowitz of New York.

A first round match between Robert Byrne of Brooklyn and Paul Keres ended in a draw after 56 moves.

Jewish Couple, Facing Jail, Vow 'A Fight to Finish' For Child

that we can have Hildy, or at least that the mother will take her into her own home instead of a foster home. I don't know what we'll do," Ellis said.

He said his wife and Hildy are "visiting friends."

"I expect them back Tuesday," he said.

Their lawyer, James Ziesman, said they were not "hiding."

The court ordered the Ellises to turn the child over to her natural mother, Mrs. Marjorie McCoy Doherty of Hingham. The Ellises have raised Hildy since she was 10 days old.

The court order to turn over the child to Mrs. Doherty climaxed a two-year legal battle. The Ellises had offered to raise Hildy in the Catholic faith.

Higher tax rates have been voted in County Cork, Eire.

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